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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Fabrice Vitry, et al.  
Serial No. 10/001,479  
Filed: November 1, 2001  
Title: LATCHING DEVICE  
Art Unit: 3627  
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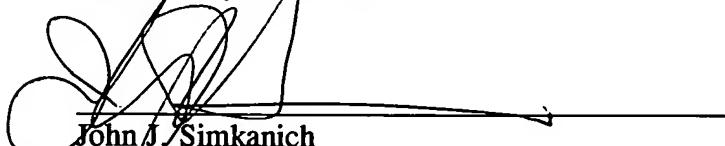
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Respectfully submitted,



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SUBMISSION OF DECLARATION OF SEKULOVIC

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Sir:

On May 22, 2002, by Express Mail Deposit, Southco, Inc., the assignee of the entire, right title and interest in the above-cited invention, filed a petition under 35 USC 118, for the Commissioner to accept the signature of Allen Riblett for co-inventor, Ivica Sekulovic, because the inventor Sekulovic was unavailable to execute the Declaration, and the application had been issued a Notice of Missing Parts. Inventors Vitry and Pinto had executed Declarations and Powers of Attorney, which have been filed.

It has now been learned that inventor Sekulovic was absent from his last known address in Worcester, United Kingdom, and had been working in Sweden for more than six (6) months without a forwarding of his mail. Mr. Sekulovic has now returned to the United Kingdom and has executed a Declaration. Attached for filing in the above-cited application is the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney of Ivica Sekulovic.

Mr. Sekulovic's has now moved to: Ivica Sekulovic  
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